This is a fragment of TRINITITE, a kind of glass formed by the fusing of sand under the tremendous heat of the first atomic bomb, exploded on a tower at Trinity Site, near Alamogordo, New Mexico, on July 16, 1945, by scientists from Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory.

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y Director An accounting of all personal stocks of "Trinitite" was sought this week in a notice to Tech Area em-

ployes from Dr. Norris E. Bradbury, project director, warning employes against having the material in their possession without having cleared it through the proper channels.

"Trinitite" is the activated fused sand, resembling green glass, which resulted from the "Trinity" test last July at Almagordo. The requested accounting is in no sense a confiscation of the material, the director emphasized

Persons possessing "Trinitite" are requested to inform the Security Of-fice of that fact and indicate the t amount of material they have. e "It is further urged," the director

d said, "that none of this material be ot given away or disposed of in any manner without the donor's availing given away himself of the protection of the usual hazardous material receipt, copies of which are available from the Health Group. Project personnel are advised that they are liable to cuit el .3 <u>(-</u>2 radvised that they are liable to suit in the event of injury to an individu-al receiving this material who has not signed the above receipt."

not signed The receipt is an acknowledgment on the part of the person possessing the "Trinitite" that the material is active and that he has been informed as to the proper method of handling

Possession of "Trinitite" is not in itself dangerous, the director pointed out, but improper handling of the material over a period of time could result in injury.

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